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- AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 21

 AMENDMENT NO. ______. Amend Senate Bill 21 on page 1, in line 5, by changing "Section 5-174" to "Sections 5-174, 6-111, and 6-211"; and

 on page 3, below line 21, by inserting the following:

 "(40 ILCS 5/6-111) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-111)
 Sec. 6-111. Salary. "Salary": Subject to Section 6-211, the
- 9 (a) For age and service annuity, minimum annuity, and 10 disability benefits, the actual amount of the annual salary, 11 except as otherwise provided in this Article.

annual salary of a fireman, as follows:

- 12 (b) For prior service annuity, widow's annuity, widow's
 13 prior service annuity and child's annuity to and including
 14 August 31, 1957, the amount of the annual salary up to a
 15 maximum of \$3,000.
- 16 (c) Except as otherwise provided in Section 6-141.1, for 17 widow's annuity, beginning September 1, 1957, the amount of 18 annual salary up to a maximum of \$6,000.
- (d) "Salary" means the actual amount of the annual salary attached to the permanent career service rank held by the fireman, except as provided in subsection (e).
- 22 (e) In the case of a fireman who holds an exempt position 23 above career service rank:
- 24 (1) For the purpose of computing employee and city

contributions, "salary" means the actual salary attached to the exempt rank position held by the fireman.

- (2) For the purpose of computing benefits: "salary" means the actual salary attached to the exempt rank position held by the fireman, if (i) the contributions specified in Section 6-211 have been made, (ii) the fireman has held one or more exempt positions for at least 5 consecutive years (or for at least 2 consecutive years in the case of a fireman who retired due to attainment of compulsory retirement age before December 1, 2004) and has held the rank of battalion chief or field officer for at least 5 years during the exempt period (or for at least 2 years in the case of a fireman who retired due to attainment of compulsory retirement age before December 1, 2004), and (iii) the fireman was born before 1955; otherwise, "salary" means the salary attached to the permanent career service rank held by the fireman, provided in subsection (d).
- (f) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, and for any prior periods for which contributions have been paid under subsection (g) of this Section, all salary payments made to any active or former fireman who holds or previously held the permanent assigned position or classified career service rank, grade, or position of ambulance commander shall be included as salary for all purposes under this Article.
- (g) Any active or former fireman who held the permanent assigned position or classified career service rank, grade, or position of ambulance commander may elect to have the full amount of the salary attached to that permanent assigned position or classified career service rank, grade, or position included in the calculation of his or her salary for any period during which the fireman held the permanent assigned position or classified career service rank, grade, or position of

ambulance commander by applying in writing and making all employee and employer contributions, without interest, related to the actual salary payments corresponding to the permanent assigned position or classified career service rank, grade, or position of ambulance commander for all periods beginning on or after January 1, 1995. All applicable contributions must be paid in full to the Fund before January 1, 2006 before the payment of any benefit under this subsection (g) will be made.

Any former fireman or widow of a fireman who (i) held the permanent assigned position or classified career service rank, grade, or position of ambulance commander, (ii) is in receipt of annuity on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, and (iii) pays to the Fund contributions under this subsection (g) for salary payments at the permanent assigned position or classified career service rank, grade, or position of ambulance commander shall have his or her annuity recalculated to reflect the ambulance commander salary and the resulting increase shall become payable on the next annuity payment date following the date the contribution is received by the Fund.

In the case of an active or former fireman who (i) dies before January 1, 2006 without making an election under this subsection and (ii) was eligible to make an election under this subsection at the time of death (or would have been eligible had the death occurred after the effective date of this amendatory Act), any surviving spouse, child, or parent of the fireman who is eligible to receive a benefit under this Article based on the fireman's salary may make that election and pay the required contributions on behalf of the deceased fireman. If the death occurs within the 30 days immediately preceding January 1, 2006, the deadline for application and payment is extended to January 31, 2006.

Any portion of the compensation received for service as an ambulance commander for which the corresponding contributions

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have not been paid shall not be included in the calculation of
salary.

- (h) Beginning January 1, 1999, with respect to a fireman who is licensed by the State as an Emergency Medical Technician, references in this Article to the fireman's salary or the salary attached to or appropriated for the permanent assigned position or classified career service rank, grade, or position of the fireman shall be deemed to include any additional compensation payable to the fireman by virtue of being licensed as an Emergency Medical Technician, as provided under a collective bargaining agreement with the city.
- (i) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly (and for any period prior to that date for which contributions have been paid under subsection (j) of this Section), the salary of a fireman, as calculated for any purpose under this Article, shall include any duty availability pay received by the fireman (i) pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement or (ii) pursuant to an appropriation ordinance in an amount equivalent to the amount of duty availability pay received by other firemen pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement, and references in this Article to the salary attached to or appropriated for the permanent assigned position or classified career service rank, grade, or position of the fireman shall be deemed to include that duty availability pay.
- (j) An active or former fireman who received duty availability pay at any time after December 31, 1994 and before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly and who either (1) retired during that period or (2) had attained age 46 and at least 16 years of service by the effective date of this amendatory Act may elect to have that duty availability pay included in the calculation of his or her salary for any portion of that period for which the pay was received, by applying in writing and paying to the Fund, before

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1 January 1, 2006, the corresponding employee contribution, 2 without interest.

In the case of an applicant who is receiving an annuity at the time the application and contribution are received by the Fund, the annuity shall be recalculated and the resulting increase shall become payable on the next annuity payment date following the date the contribution is received by the Fund.

In the case of an active or former fireman who (i) dies before January 1, 2006 without making an election under this subsection and (ii) was eligible to make an election under this subsection at the time of death (or would have been eligible had the death occurred after the effective date of this amendatory Act), any surviving spouse, child, or parent of the fireman who is eligible to receive a benefit under this Article based on the fireman's salary may make that election and pay the required contribution on behalf of the deceased fireman. If the death occurs within the 30 days immediately preceding January 1, 2006, the deadline for application and payment is extended to January 31, 2006.

Any duty availability pay for which the corresponding employee contribution has not been paid shall not be included in the calculation of salary.

(k) The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly are not limited to firemen in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act.

26 (Source: P.A. 93-654, eff. 1-16-04.)

27 (40 ILCS 5/6-211) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-211)

28 Sec. 6-211. Permanent and temporary positions; exempt positions above career service rank. 29

(a) Except as specified in subsection (b), no annuity, pension or other benefit shall be paid to a fireman or widow, under this Article, based upon any salary paid by virtue of a temporary appointment, and all contributions, annuities and

benefits shall be related to the salary which attaches to the
permanent position of the fireman.

Any fireman temporarily serving in a position or rank other than that to which he has received permanent appointment shall be considered, while so serving, as though he were in his permanent position or rank, except that no increase in any pension, annuity or other benefit hereunder shall accrue to him by virtue of any service performed by him subsequent to attaining the compulsory retirement age provided by law or ordinance.

This Section does not apply to any person certified to the fire department by the civil service commission of the city, during the period of probationary service.

A fireman who holds a position at the will of the Fire Commissioner or other appointing authority, whether or not such position is an "exempt" position, shall be deemed to hold a temporary position.

(b) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, for service in an exempt position above career service rank, employee contributions shall be based on the actual full salary attached to the exempt rank position held by the fireman.

For service in an exempt position above career service rank, benefit computations under this Article shall be based on the actual full salary attached to the exempt rank position held by the fireman if and only if:

- (1) employee contributions have been paid on the actual full salary attached to the exempt rank position held by the fireman for all service on or after January 1, 1994 in an exempt position above career service rank;
- (2) the fireman has held one or more exempt positions for at least 5 consecutive years (or, in the case of a fireman who retired due to attainment of compulsory retirement age before December 1, 2004 2003, held one or

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more exempt positions for a consecutive period of at least 2 years 3 years and 9 months and made the payment required under subsection (c) for a period of at least 5 years) and has held the rank of battalion chief or field officer for at least 5 years (at least 2 years 3 years and 9 months in the case of a fireman who retired due to attainment of compulsory retirement age before December 1, 2004 2003) during the exempt period; and

(3) the fireman was born before 1955.

(c) For service prior to the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 94th 93rd General Assembly in an exempt position above career service rank for which contributions have been paid only on the salary attached to the fireman's permanent career service rank, a fireman may make the contributions required under subsection (b) by paying to the Fund before the later of the date of retirement or 6 months after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly, but in no event later than July 1, 2006 2005, equal to the difference between the employee contributions actually made for that service and the employee contributions that would have been made based on the actual full salary attached to the exempt rank position held by the fireman on or after January 1, 1994, plus interest thereon at the rate of 4% per year, compounded annually, from the date of the service to the date of payment (or to the date of retirement if retirement is before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly). In the case of a fireman who retired in an exempt rank position after January 1, 1994 and before January 1, 1999 and in the case of a fireman who retired due to attaining compulsory retirement age before December 1, 2004 2003, the payment under this subsection (c) shall be for a period of at least 5 years.

If a fireman dies while eligible to make the contributions required under subsection (b) but before the contributions are

contributions are paid.

- paid, the fireman's widow may elect to make the contributions.
- (d) Subsection (e) of Section 6-111 and the changes made to this Section by this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly apply to a fireman who retires (or becomes disabled) on or after January 1, 1994. In the case of a benefit payable on the effective date of this amendatory Act, the resulting increase in benefit shall begin to accrue with the first benefit payment period commencing after the required
 - (e) If a fireman or his survivors do not qualify to have benefits computed on the full amount of salary received for service in an exempt position as provided in subsection (b), benefits shall be computed on the basis of the salary attached to the permanent career service rank, and a refund of any employee contributions paid on the difference between the actual salary and the salary attached to the permanent career service rank shall be payable to the fireman upon termination of service, or to the fireman's widow or estate upon the fireman's death.
 - (f) The tax levy computed under Section 6-165 shall be based on employee contributions, including the payments of employee contributions under subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this Section 6-211.
- (g) The city shall pay to the Fund on an annual basis, in addition to the usual city contributions, an amount at least equal to the sum of (1) the increase in normal cost resulting from subsection (e) of Section 6-111 and the changes made to this Section by this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, plus (2) amortization (over a period of 30 years from the effective date of this amendatory Act) of the initial unfunded liability resulting from subsection (e) of Section 6-111 and the changes made to this Section by this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly. The payment required under this subsection shall be no less than \$400,000 per year.

- Payment shall begin with the first calendar year commencing 1
- 2 after the effective date of this amendatory Act and shall be in
- 3 addition to the tax levy otherwise calculated under Section
- 4 6-165. The city may increase that tax levy by the amount of the
- 5 payment required under this subsection, or it may utilize any
- funds appropriated for this purpose. 6
- 7 (h) The changes to this Section and Section 6-111 made by
- this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly apply to 8
- otherwise qualified persons who retired due to attaining 9
- 10 compulsory retirement age before December 1, 2004,
- notwithstanding Section 1-103.1 of this Code. A person affected 11
- by these changes may repay any refund received under subsection 12
- (e) of this Section, and the resulting increase in benefit 13
- 14 shall begin to accrue with the first benefit payment period
- commencing after the required contributions are paid. 15
- (Source: P.A. 93-654, eff. 1-16-04.)". 16